

Tuesday, July 30, 1996

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Energy and Water Appropriations, and Legislative Branch Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9085–S9208*

**Measures Introduced:** Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2000–2003. **Page S9159**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 1130, to provide for the establishment of uniform accounting systems, standards, and reporting systems in the Federal Government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–339)

S. 1237, to amend certain provisions of law relating to child pornography, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1556, to prohibit economic espionage, to provide for the protection of United States proprietary economic information in interstate and foreign commerce, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1887, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, with amendments.

S. 1931, to provide that the United States Post Office building that is to be located at 9 East Broad Street, Cookeville, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "L. Clure Morton Post Office and Courthouse", with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9158**

### Measures Passed:

*Energy and Water Appropriations, 1997:* By 93 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 253), Senate passed H.R. 3816, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1959, Senate companion measure, as amended, and after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S9085–S9115**

### Adopted:

McCain Amendment No. 5094, to clarify that report language does not have the force of law. **Pages S9087–89**

Domenici Amendment No. 5121 (to Amendment No. 5094), to require a monthly report from the Department of Energy. **Page S9088**

Domenici Amendment No. 5122, of a technical nature. **Page S9100**

### Rejected:

McCain Amendment No. 5095, to prohibit the use of funds to carry out the advanced light water reactor program. (By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 249), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9086–89**

Bumpers Amendment No. 5096, to reduce funding for the Weapons Activities Account to the level requested by the Administration. (By 61 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 250), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9089–90**

Grams Amendment No. 5100, to limit funding for the Appalachian Regional Commission and require the Commission to be phased out in 5 years. (By 69 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 252), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9094–99**

Feingold Amendment No. 5106, to eliminate funding for the Animas-LaPlata Participating Project. (By 65 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. 251), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9090–94**

### Withdrawn:

Domenici (for McCain) Amendment No. 5105, to strike section 503 of the bill. **Page S9094**

Johnston (for Wellstone) Amendment No. 5097, to ensure adequate funding for the biomass power for rural development program. **Page S9099**

Subsequently, S. 1959 was indefinitely postponed. **Page S9115**

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the

Senate: Senators Domenici, Hatfield, Cochran, Gorton, McConnell, Bennett, Burns, Johnston, Byrd, Hollings, Reid, Kerrey, and Murray. **Page S9115**

*Legislative Branch Appropriations, 1997:* By 93 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. 254), Senate passed H.R. 3754, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, as amended, and after taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

**Pages S9115–18**

Adopted:

Chafee Amendment No. 5119, to provide for a limitation on the exclusive copyrights of literary works reproduced or distributed in specialized formats for use by blind or disabled persons. **Page S9116**

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Mack, Bennett, Campbell, Hatfield, Murray, Mikulski, and Byrd. **Page S9118**

*D.C. Water and Sewer Authority:* Senate passed H.R. 3663, to amend the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act to permit the Council of the District of Columbia to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds with respect to water and sewer facilities, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9208**

*Transportation Appropriations, 1997:* Senate began consideration of H.R. 3675, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, with committee amendments, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

**Pages S9118–50**

Adopted:

Hatfield Amendment No. 5123, to provide the Secretary of Transportation authority through fiscal year 2000 for the use of voluntary separation incentives to assist in reducing employment levels.

**Pages S9129–30**

Hatfield Amendment No. 5124, of a technical nature. **Pages S9129–30**

Hatfield Amendment No. 5125, of a technical nature. **Pages S9129–30**

Lautenberg Amendment No. 5126, to provide funds for aviation security research. **Page S9130**

Hatfield (for Kohl) Amendment No. 5127, to express the sense of the Senate that Congress should establish the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation as a performance-based organization. **Page S9131**

Hatfield (for Bond) Amendment No. 5128, to express the sense of the Congress concerning the use of full and open competition in procurement for the Federal Aviation Administration and to require an

independent assessment of the acquisition management system of the Federal Aviation Administration. **Page S9131**

Hatfield (for Kerrey/Exon) Amendment No. 5129, to provide for the safe and efficient interstate transportation of sugar beets. **Page S9132**

Hatfield (for Levin) Amendment No. 5130, to provide for the use of funds for a highway safety improvement project in Michigan. **Page S9132**

Dorgan Amendment No. 5131, to require an investigation of anticompetitive practices in air transportation. **Pages S9132–34**

DeWine Amendment No. 5133, to provide funds and incentives for closures of rail-highway crossings. **Pages S9141–42, S9145**

Dorgan Modified Amendment No. 5134, to prohibit the Surface Transportation Board from increasing user fees. **Pages S9142–45**

Hatfield (for Pressler) Amendment No. 5136, to provide for loan guarantees under the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976. **Pages S9146–47**

Hatfield (for Kempthorne) Amendment No. 5137, to increase funds available for administrative costs of the Symms National Recreational Trails Act. **Page S9147**

Hatfield (for Pressler) Amendment No. 5138, to prohibit the issuance implementation, or enforcement of certain regulations relating to fats, oils, and greases. **Page S9147**

Hatfield (for Gorton/Baucus) Amendment No. 5139, to provide funds to halt erosion on scenic highways or byways along the ocean. **Pages S9147–48**

Exon Amendment No. 5140, to provide funding for the Institute of Railroad Safety. **Page S9149**

Rejected:

McCain Amendment No. 5132, to reduce the level of funding for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation. (By 82 yeas to 17 nays (Vote No. 255), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S9134–41**

Withdrawn:

Murkowski Amendment No. 5135, to provide that the sale of power to Amtrak for its own use, including operating its electric traction system, does not constitute a direct sale of electric energy to an ultimate consumer under section 212(h)(1) of the Federal Power Act. **Pages S9145–46**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto on Wednesday, July 31, 1996. **Pages S9149–50**

**Public Housing Reform and Empowerment Act:** Senate disagreed to the amendments of the House to S. 1260, to reform and consolidate the public and assisted housing programs of the United States, and to redirect primary responsibility for these programs

from the Federal Government to States and localities, agreed to the request of the House for a conference thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators D'Amato, Mack, Faircloth, Bond, Sarbanes, Kerry, and Moseley-Braun.

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**Executive Reports of Committees:** The Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Treaty with the Republic of Korea on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104–1) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–22);

Treaty with the United Kingdom on Mutual Legal Assistance on Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104–2) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–23);

Treaty with Austria on Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104–21) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–24);

Treaty with Hungary on Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104–20) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–25);

Treaty with the Philippines on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (Treaty Doc. 104–18) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–26);

Extradition Treaty with Hungary (Treaty Doc. 104–5) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–27);

Extradition Treaty with Belgium (Treaty Doc. 104–7) and the Supplementary Extradition Treaty with Belgium (Treaty Doc. 104–8) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–28);

Extradition Treaty with the Philippines (Treaty Doc. 104–16) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–29);

Extradition Treaty with Malaysia (Treaty Doc. 104–26) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–30);

Extradition Treaty with Bolivia (Treaty Doc. 104–22) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–31); and

Extradition Treaty with Switzerland (Treaty Doc. 104–9) (Exec. Rept. No. 104–32)

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Nina Gershon, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

**Messages From the House:**

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**Measures Referred:**

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**Executive Reports of Committees:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Authority for Committees:**

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**Additional Statements:**

Pages S9164–65

**Record Votes:** Seven record votes were taken today. (Total–255)

Pages S9089–90, S9094, S9099, S9104, S9118, S9141

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:29 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, July 31, 1996. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9208.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary approved for full committee consideration, with amendments, H.R. 3814, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

### FOREST HEALTH CONDITIONS

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded oversight hearings to examine the conditions that have made the National Forests of the Southwest susceptible to catastrophic fires and disease, and to explore solutions and new management techniques, after receiving testimony from Jack Ward Thomas, Chief, Chip Cartwright, Regional Forester, Southwestern Region, and Mary Jo Lavin, Director, Fire and Aviation Management Staff, all of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Peter Coppelman, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; John Hafterson, Arizona State Land Department, Phoenix; Tom Kolb, Northern Arizona University, Phoenix; Dennis R. Kingsberry, Stone Forest Industries, and Charles Babbitt, Southwest Forest Alliance, all of Flagstaff, Arizona; William R. Murray, American Forest and Paper Association, Washington, D.C.; Fred Cheever, University of Denver College of Law, Denver, Colorado; and Arthur N. Lee, Apache County Board of Supervisors, Eagar, Arizona.

### DRUG TRAFFICKING IMPACT ON ECONOMY

**Committee on Finance:** Subcommittee on International Trade resumed hearings in conjunction with the Caucus on International Narcotics Control to examine how drug trafficking and money laundering may

pose threats to United States trade and financial systems, and efforts to combat international drug trafficking and money laundering, receiving testimony from Senators Domenici and Gramm; Jeffrey M. Lang, Deputy United States Trade Representative; Stanley E. Morris, Director, Office of Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, and George J. Weise, Commissioner, United States Customs Service, both of the Department of the Treasury; Jonathan M. Winer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Alan S. Abel, Coopers and Lybrand, and Robert S. Leiken, New Moment, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; and Michael M. Miles, Rudolph Miles and Sons, Inc./The Miles Group, Inc., El Paso, Texas.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### LIBERTAD ACT

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere and Peace Corps Affairs held hearings on the implementation of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act (Libertad) (P.L. 104-114) and its impact on international law, receiving testimony from Jeffrey Davidow, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; Jennifer A. Hillman, General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative; and Monroe Leigh, Steptoe & Johnson, Alberto Mora, Holland & Knight, Brice Clagett, Covington & Burling, and Robert L. Muse, Muse and Associates, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

### ACCESS TO MEDICAL TREATMENT ACT

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Committee concluded hearings on S. 1035, to permit an individual to be treated by a health care practitioner with any method of medical treatment such individual requests, after receiving testimony from Senator Daschle; former Representative Berkley Bedell, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Jerold Mande, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, and Wayne B. Jonas, Director, Office of Alternative Medicine, National Institutes of Health, both of the

Department of Health and Human Services; Woodson C. Merrell, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, New York; James S. Gordon, Center for Mind-Body Medicine, Washington, D.C.; and Shawn and Zachary McConnell, Fountain Hills, Arizona.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 1983, to amend the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to provide for Native Hawaiian organizations; and

S. 1973, to provide for the settlement of the Navajo-Hopi land dispute, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

### ELDERLY SUICIDE

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the incidence of suicide among the elderly, focusing on the factors that put elderly persons at risk and strategies and interventions that can prevent elderly suicides from occurring, after receiving testimony from Jane L. Pearson, Chief, Clinical and Developmental Psychopathology Program, Mental Disorders of the Aging Research Branch, National Institute of Mental Health, and Mark Rosenberg, Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; David C. Clark, Center for Suicide Research and Prevention/Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois; Eric D. Caine, University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, New York; Ira R. Katz, University of Pennsylvania Medical School, Philadelphia, on behalf of the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry; Joseph Richman, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, New York; Ray Raschko, Spokane Community Mental Health Center, and Hy and Esther Nelson, all of Spokane, Washington; Betty Munley, Senior Connection Program/Crisis Call Center, Reno, Nevada; Daryl J. Workman, Richmond, Virginia; and Paige Warfield Garber, Kensington, Maryland.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 6 public bills, H.R. 3916-3921; 2 private bills, H.R. 3915, 3922; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 205, and H. Res. 493-494 were introduced.

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3867, to amend the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act to extend the Act (H. Rept. 104-719);

H. Res. 492, waiving a requirement of clause 4 (b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of a certain resolution reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 104-720);

Conference report on H.R. 3517, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104-721);

H.R. 3759, to extend the authority of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, amended (H. Rept. 104-722);

H.R. 123, to amend title 4, United States Code, to declare English as the official language of the Government of the United States (H. Rept. 104-723);

Conference report on H.R. 3230, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1997 (H. Rept. 104-724);

Conference report on H.R. 3734, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(a)(1) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1997 (H. Rept. 104-725); and

Conference report on H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 (H. Rept. 104-726).

Pages H8829-H8958, H8958-79, H8981-82

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Jones to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8669

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:01 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. Page H8669

**Committees to Sit:** The following committees and their subcommittees received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule: Committees on Banking and Financial Services, Economic and Educational Opportunities, Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, Judiciary, National Security, Resources, Science, and Transportation and Infrastructure. Page H8671

**Agriculture Appropriations:** The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference. Page H8671

Appointed as conferees: Representative Skeen, Myers of Indiana, Walsh, Dickey, Kingston, Riggs, Nethercutt, Livingston, Durbin, Kaptur, Thornton, Fazio, and Obey. Page H8671

**Suspensions:** The House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Energy Policy and Conservation:* H.R. 3868, to extend certain programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through September 30, 1996;

Pages H8671-72

*Developmental Disabilities:* H.R. 3867, to amend the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act to extend the Act. Subsequently, the House passed S. 1757, a similar Senate-passed bill—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H8672-73

*Trade Laws:* H.R. 3815, amended, to make technical corrections and miscellaneous amendments to trade laws;

Pages H8673-79

*Katmai National Park Fishing:* H.R. 1786, amended, to regulate fishing in certain waters of Alaska;

Pages H8679-80

*Geologic Mapping:* H.R. 3198, to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992;

Pages H8680-82

*Crawford National Fish Hatchery:* H.R. 3287, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Crawford National Fish Hatchery to the city of Crawford, Nebraska;

Pages H8682-83

*Walhalla National Fish Hatchery:* H.R. 3546, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Walhalla National Fish Hatchery to the State of South Carolina;

Pages H8683-84

*Marion National Fish Hatchery:* H.R. 3557, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery to the State of Alabama. Agreed to amend the title;

Pages H8684-85

*Snowbasin Ski Area and Sterling Forest Reserve:* H.R. 3907, amended, to facilitate the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in the State of Utah at the Snowbasin Ski Area, to provide for the acquisition of lands within the Sterling Forest Reserve;

Pages H8685-92

*Water Resources Development:* H.R. 3592, amended, to provide for conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States. Subsequently, S. 640, a similar Senate-passed measure was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the text of H.R. 3592, as passed the House. Agreed to lay H.R. 3592 on the table;

Pages H8693-H8756

*Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office:* H.R. 885, to designate the building located at 153 East 110th

Street, New York, New York, as the "Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office Building"; **Pages H8756-57**

*Augusta Hornblower Post Office:* H.R. 3768, to designate a United States Post Office to be located in Groton, Massachusetts, as the "Augusta 'Gusty' Hornblower United States Post Office"; **Pages H8657-58**

*Rose Y. Caracappa Post Office:* H.R. 3139, to redesignate the United States Post Office building located at 245 Centereach Mall on Middle Country Road in Centereach, New York, as the "Rose Y. Caracappa United States Post Office Building"; **Pages H8758-59**

*Roger P. McAuliffe Post Office:* H.R. 3834, to redesignate the Dunning Post Office in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Roger P. McAuliffe Post Office"; **Pages H8759-61**

*Amos F. Longoria Post Office:* H.R. 2700, amended, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 7980 FM 327, Elmendorf, Texas, as the "Amos F. Longoria Post Office Building". Agreed to amend the title; **Pages H8761-62**

*Veterans' Preference:* H.R. 3586, amended, to amend title 5, United States Code, to strengthen veterans' preference, to increase employment opportunities for veterans; and **Pages H8762-68**

*Veterans' Health Care:* H.R. 3118, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to reform eligibility for health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 416 yeas, Roll No. 371). **Pages H8768-76, H8791-92**

**Clerk Correction:** It was made in order to direct the Clerk, in the engrossment of H.R. 3592, to make a correction to section 585 to change the reference from Evansville, Illinois to make it Evanston, Illinois. This measure was passed earlier today under suspension of the rules. **Pages H8809-10**

**Working Families Flexibility:** By a yeas-and-nays vote of 225 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 370, the House passed H.R. 2391, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide compensatory time for all employees. **Pages H8776-91**

Agreed to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended. **Pages H8787-91**

Agreed to the Goodling amendment that requires employers to give thirty days notice prior to cashing out accrued compensatory time, allows employers to only cash out unused time in excess of 80 hours unless the cash out is in response to an employee request, requires employers to give thirty days notice prior to discontinuing compensatory time policy, specifies that employees may withdraw at any time from a compensatory time agreement, requires the

Secretary of Labor to revise the posting requirements under the FLSA, and clarifies that unused compensatory time would be considered to be unpaid overtime for purposes of all remedies under the FLSA. **Pages H8788-90**

The McKinney amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to reduce the work week under the FLSA from 40 hours to 37 hours. **Pages H8790-91**

**Foreign Operations Appropriations:** The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 3540, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference. **Pages H8792-93**

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Callahan, Porter, Livingston, Lightfoot, Wolf, Packard, Knollenberg, Forbes, Bunn, Wilson, Yates, Pelosi, Torres, Lowey, and Obey. **Page H8793**

Agreed to the Wilson motion to instruct conferees to provide funding for the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) at the level specified by the House. **Pages H8792-93**

**Defense Appropriations:** The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 3610, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 and agreed to a conference. **Page H8793**

Appointed as conferees: Young of Florida, McDade, Livingston, Lewis of California, Skeen, Hobson, Bonilla, Nethercutt, Istook, Murtha, Dicks, Wilson, Hefner, Sabo, and Obey. **Page H8793**

By a yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 372, agreed to the Livingston motion that conference committee meetings be closed to the public when classified information is under consideration. **Page H8793**

**Late Reports:** Conferees received permission to have until midnight tonight to file conference reports on H.R. 3603, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997 and H.R. 3517, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997. **Page H8794**

**Legislative Branch Appropriations:** The House disagreed with Senate amendments to H.R. 3754, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and agreed to a conference. **Page H8794**

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Packard, Young of Florida, Taylor of North Carolina, Miller

of Florida, Wicker, Livingston, Thornton, Serrano, Fazio, and Obey. **Page H8794**

Agreed to the Thornton motion to instruct conferees to concur in the Senate amendments authorizing continuation of and making funds available for the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. **Page H8794**

**Presidential Veto Message—Teamwork for Employers and Managers:** Read a message from the President wherein he announces his veto of H.R. 743, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to allow labor management cooperative efforts that improve economic competitiveness in the United States to continue to thrive, and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–251). **Page H8816**

Subsequently, it was made in order that further consideration of the veto message be postponed until Wednesday, July 31. **Page H8816**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:01 p.m. and reconvened at 11:55 p.m. **Pages H8828–29**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H8982–84.

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8692–93 and H8794.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H8791, H8792, and H8793. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:58 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ATM FEE REFORM ACT

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3727, ATM Fee Reform Act of 1996.

### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations held an oversight hearing on Management of HUD's Section 8 Multi-Family Housing Portfolio. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: Nicholas Retsinas, Assistant Secretary, Housing and Federal Housing Commissioner; and Susan Gaffey, Inspector General; Judy Joseph-England, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

### EPA GRANTS MISMANAGEMENT

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural

Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on EPA Mismanagement of Grants. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: John Martin, Inspector General; and Fred Hansen, Deputy Administrator.

### DOD BULK FUEL

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice held a hearing on the Department of Defense Bulk Fuel: Appropriations versus Usage. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles T. Harris, Director, Operation and Personnel Directorate, Under Secretary, Comptroller; and Jeffery A. Jones, Executive Director, (Logistics Management), Defense Logistics Agency; and the following officials of the GAO: Sharon A. Cekala, Associate Director, Military Operations and Capabilities Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division; and Michael J. Curro, Assistant Director, Budget Issues Area.

### CAUCASUS REGION—U.S. INTERESTS

*Committee on International Relations:* Held a hearing on U.S. Interests in the Caucasus Region. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Marshall Adiar, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Canadian Affairs; John Herbst, Deputy Coordinator, Office of the Special Advisor to the Secretary for the New Independent States; and Joseph A. Presel, Coordinator, Regional Affairs and Special Negotiator for Nagorno Karabakh; and public witnesses.

### REGULATORY FAIR WARNING ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Began markup of H.R. 3307, Regulatory Fair Warning Act.

Will continue tomorrow.

### MILITARY HOUSING AND OTHER QUALITY-OF-LIFE INFRASTRUCTURE

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities held a hearing on military housing and other quality-of-life infrastructure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Sgt. Maj. Gene C. McKinney, USA; Master Chief Petty Officer John Hagan, USN; Sgt. Maj. Lewis G. Lee, USMC; and Chief Master Sergeant David J. Campanale, USAF; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Lands held an oversight hearing on Inspector General Audit Report of Land Management land transactions in Nevada. Testimony was

heard from Wilma Lewis, Inspector General, Department of the Interior.

#### WAIVING $\frac{2}{3}$ VOTE REQUIREMENT

*Committee on Rules:* Ordered reported, by voice vote, a resolution waiving clause 4(b) of rule XI (requiring a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Committee on Rules) against a resolution reported by the Rules Committee before August 1, 1996. The resolution applies the waiver to special rules providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany H.R. 3734, Personal Responsibility Act of 1996.

#### NEW GENERATION OF VEHICLES PROGRAM

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Partnership for a New Generation of Vehicles (PNGV) Program. Testimony was heard from Lionel S. Johns, Associate Director for Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Robert M. Chapman, Chairman, PNGC Government Technical Task Force, Department of Commerce; Thomas J. Gross, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Transportation Technologies, Department of Energy; Joseph Bordogna, Associate Director, Engineering, NSF; and public witnesses.

#### ISTEA REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued hearings on ISTEA Reauthorization, Metropolitan Planning: Metropolitan Planning Organizations and the Planning Process. Testimony was heard from Representative Hefley; Kirk Brown, Secretary of Transportation, State of Illinois; Susan Mortel, Assistant Deputy Director, Planning, Department of Transportation, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

#### PATIENT RIGHT TO KNOW ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 2976, Patient Right to Know Act of 1996. Testimony was heard from Representatives Markey and Ganske; and public witnesses.

#### SAVING OUR CHILDREN: AMERICAN COMMUNITY RENEWAL ACT

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources and the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families of the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities held a joint hearing on H.R. 3467, Saving Our Children: The American Community Renewal Act of 1996. Testimony was heard from Representatives Scott, Watts of Oklahoma, Kolbe and Knollenberg; Glenn O. Lewis, Representative, State of Texas; Fannie

Lewis, member, City Council, Cleveland, Ohio; and public witnesses.

#### APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3517, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

#### SMALL BUSINESS JOB PROTECTION ACT

*Conferees* continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3448, to provide tax relief for small businesses, to protect jobs, to create opportunities, and to increase the take home pay of workers.

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#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D817)

H.R. 248, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the conduct of expanded studies and the establishment of innovative programs with respect to traumatic brain injury. Signed July 29, 1996. (P.L. 104-166)

S. 1899, entitled the "Mollie Beattie Alaska Wilderness Area Act". Signed July 29, 1996. (P.L. 104-167)

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services,* closed business meeting, to consider certain pending military nominations, 9:45 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., SR-222.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Lt. Gen. Howell M. Estes III, USAF, for appointment to the grade of General and to be Commander-in-Chief, United States Space Command/Commander-in-Chief, North American Aerospace Defense Command, 11:15 a.m., SR-222.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, for reappointment to the grade of Admiral and to be Chief of Naval Operations, 1:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs,* Subcommittee on International Finance, to hold hearings on provisions of H.R. 361, to provide authority to control exports, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works,* Business meeting, to consider the nominations of Nils J. Diaz, of Florida, and Edward McGaffigan, Jr., of Virginia, each to



be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, time to be announced, S-216, The Capitol.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings on food security issues in Africa, 2 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to hold hearings to examine the incidents of drug smuggling at U.S. borders, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nominations of Richard A. Paez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Wenona Y. Whitfield, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Clarence J. Sundram, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, Joseph F. Bataillon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, and Thomas W. Thrash Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, 2 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources*, business meeting, to mark up S. 1490, to improve enforcement of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and benefit security for participants by adding certain provisions with respect to the auditing of employee benefit plans, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, hearing to review the National Soybean Check-Off Program, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, to consider a revised 602(b) Subdivision for fiscal year 1997, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities and Government Sponsored Enterprises, to continue oversight hearings regarding Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, to mark up H.R. 3793, 50 States Commemorative Coin Program Act, 10 a.m., 2220 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials, to mark up H.R. 3391, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on FDA Integrity Issues Raised by the Visx, Inc. Document Disclosure, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on H.R. 3244, District of Columbia Economic Recovery Act, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on House Oversight*, to discuss pending business, 10:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on Review of U.S. Foreign Policy, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to continue markup of H.R. 3307, Regulatory Fair Warning Act and H.R. 3565, Violent Youth Crime Act of 1996; and to begin markup of the following bills: H.R. 3723, Economic Espionage Act of 1996; H.R. 1499, Consumer Fraud Prevention Act of 1995; S. 1507, Parole Commission Phaseout Act of 1995; H.R. 3676, Carjacking Correction Act of 1996; H.R. 3874, Civil Rights Commission Act of 1996; H.R. 2128 Equal Opportunity Act of 1995; and H.R. 1802, Reorganization of the Federal Administrative Judiciary Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the Conference Report on H.R. 3734, Personal Responsibility Act, 9:30 a.m., and to consider H.R. 123, English Language Empowerment Act of 1996, 3 p.m. H-313 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Rules and Organization of the House and the Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process, to continue hearings on Building on Change: Preparing for the 105th Congress, 9:45 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Space Commercialization Promotion Act of 1996, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Government Programs and Subcommittee on Education, Training, Employment and Housing of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, joint hearing on SBA programs to assist veterans in readjusting to civilian life, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Standards of Official Conduct*, executive, to consider pending business, 1:30 p.m., HT-2M Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds, to mark up the following: H.R. 2062, to designate the Health Care Financing Administration building under construction at 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD as the "Helen Delich Bentley Building"; H.R. 3535, to redesignate a Federal Building in Suitland, MD, as the "W. Edwards Deming Federal Building"; H.R. 3576, to designate the U.S. courthouse located at 401 South Michigan Street in South Bend, IN, as the "Robert Kurtz Rodibaugh United States Courthouse"; H.R. 3710, to designate a U.S. courthouse located in Tampa, FL, as the "Sam M. Gibbons United States Courthouse"; GSA Repair and Alteration and Lease Prospectuses; and 11 (b) Resolutions, 9:30 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to continue hearings on the impact of replacing the Federal Income Tax, with emphasis on domestic manufacturing and on energy and natural resources, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9 a.m., Wednesday, July 31

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will consider S. 1936, Nuclear Waste Policy Act, and following disposition, will resume consideration of H.R. 3675, Transportation Appropriations, 1997.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, July 31

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of the conference report on H.R. 3734, Personal Responsibility Act of 1996 (subject to rules being granted); and Consideration of H.R. 2823, International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (modified closed rule).



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